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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20314-1000

REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

4 JAN 1988

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Commanders, All Field Operating Activities :

SUBJECT: Visits by Foreign Nationals to Corps Facilities

1. I need your support to ensure that established security protocols are followed strictly when dealing with foreign nationals who want to visit Corps facilities. This is an area of major concern to me. This area requires our concerted effort to prevent the unauthorized disclosure of sensitive or classified information, as well as to insure we do not get involved in embarrassing differences between us and other elements of the Army or Defense Department.
2. There have been occasions during the past year when foreign nationals have been allowed to visit and work at Corps facilities for extended periods without the full knowledge or appropriate approval of designated security and intelligence officials. The regulations that outline notification and approval requirements on this subject are clear and explicit—I expect them to be followed. The enclosure lists the relevant Army and engineer regulations and shows the designated notification and approval authorities.
3. Foreign national visits can be mutually beneficial. However, such visits must be reviewed and evaluated in terms of the current political situation, the degree of advantage to the U.S. Government, and our National Disclosure Policy. I have directed Colonel Leo J. Roppo, my Chief of Security and Law Enforcement (C/SLE), to make certain that the "security stovepipe" is sensitive to the notification and approval requirements imposed by current regulations. Corps security members must be active players in foreign national visitor matters.
4. I ask each Commander to be comfortable that your counterpart of my C/SLE knows of my concerns, appropriate notification and approval procedures, and is prepared to advise you completely. In recent instances where we have erred, the FOA has not had its own "security stovepipe" counterpart engaged.
5. My contact on this is Colonel Roppo. If you or your staff need additional information, contact Ms. Bernice Fogle, Office of Security and Law Enforcement, (202) 272-8724.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "E.R. Heiberg III", written over a horizontal line.

E.R. HEIBERG III
Lieutenant General, USA
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